

FINDS GERMANY LAGGING BEHIND

Technical Methods and Appliances Inferior, Says Edison.

HAS A WORD FOR FLYERS

Inventor Impressed by Country's Wonderful Industrial Expansion.

Berlin, September 23.—That Germany, while leading the world in science, is lagging behind America in the field of invention, is the conclusion of Thomas Alva Edison as the result of a long automobile tour through the empire. Mr. Edison arrived here from South Germany, where an itinerary had been arranged to carry him through the heart of the industrial districts.

"What has impressed me most in Germany," said the American inventor this morning, "is its wonderful industrial expansion, especially in the northern part of the empire. As one gets further north one sees fewer romantic old churches, but more smokestacks. That, I take it, is a sign of the times."

"I was struck, however, by the fact that with all their industrial growth the technical methods and appliances of the Germans are far inferior to ours. The lack of up-to-date machinery in many instances is conspicuous. Undoubtedly the Germans are the greatest scientists and theorists in the world. It may be because they are more patient, but in applied science they are usually far behind us. At the game of invention the Americans still hold all the trump.

"It is twenty-three years since I was last in Berlin," continued Mr. Edison, "and I can hardly recognize the place. It has been called the Chicago of Europe, and certainly it is growing with Chicago speed."

"I have a reason to be interested in the city, for the greatest of the electrical works in Berlin was produced and started by me, and once bore my name."

"How about the development of European flying machines, Mr. Edison?"

"There are plenty of people now flying, but to few scientists are interesting themselves in the subject. Thus, there is only an aimless flying around in the air. If the world is to have a really safe flying machine we must begin all over again on scientific lines."

"The attention paid here to Mr. Edison by the press and public constitutes a unique testimonial to the high esteem in which Germans hold him as one of the greatest of living Americans. The lobby of the hotel at which he is staying was thronged with persons anxious to catch a glimpse of him."

ANOTHER ACCIDENT

Coast-to-Coast Flier Crashes Into Barbed Wire Fence.

Jamestown, N. Y., September 24.—Aviator Gallbraith P. Rogers, who is trying to fly from coast to coast, came to grief today at Red House, where his biplane dashed into two barbed wire fences and was wrecked. Rogers was not injured.

Rogers had flown from Hornell, N. Y., yesterday, and was forced to stop at Red House to repair a spark plug. In attempting to rise for a flight to Jamestown the wind broke the machine to the fences, wrecking both propeller blades and shattering one of the wings. It is unlikely that the plane can get away from Red House to-morrow.

More Engine Trouble.

Colfax, Cal., September 24.—Engine trouble today terminated Aviator Robert G. Fowler's second attempt to soar above the 7,000-foot pass of the Sierras in his attempted transcontinental flight which began September 1. After a brief period of phenomenal speed, he alighted in a meadow in Emigrant Gap, forty miles from here, gliding from an altitude of 7,500 feet. At that height his engine quit work. This altitude, he maintained, should get him safely over the pass in the third attempt, which he expects to make to-morrow morning.

Avoid Interference.

New York, September 24.—By announcing that no prizes or prize money would be officially awarded, the management of the aviation meet at Nassau Boulevard avoided probable interference by the authorities with today's events.

Earl Ovington carried the second aerial mail under the sanctions of the United States government, taking a bag containing about fifty pounds of letters and postals from the aviation field to Mineola, five miles away, where he dropped it into the hands of a postal employee waiting there. From there the mail was to be transported through the regular channels to its destination. Ovington returned to the Nassau field twelve minutes after he left.



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SAN MARCOS' FATE MAY ALTER ARMOR

Navy Experts Seek as Result of Firing to Concentrate Protection.

Washington, D. C., September 24.—One of the suggested changes in the design of the battleship as a result of the target practice of the Delaware at the last March was a suggested rearrangement of the protective armor. To some ordnance experts the destruction wrought by the projectiles hitting the San Marcos demonstrated that what armor is used should be sufficiently thick to form actual protection to a ship's hull, and that it is of no advantage to spread comparatively thin armor over other portions. In a general way armor thick enough to be effective and no waste of weight by adding thin armor is their plan.

It is considered likely by those officers that the comparatively thin armor which has been placed over some portions of battleships may be dispensed with in future designs, and that the protection may be concentrated over the vital portions and made sufficiently thick to give actual protection. This, it is explained, will result in a considerable saving in weight, for the increased thickness over the vital portions will be made up for by saving the weight used heretofore for secondary protection. It must be added that other experts point out that these theories are opposed by all the existing practices in the great navies. Lieutenant-Commander Leigh C. Palmer, director of target practice and engineering competitions, have advocated the placing of armor on gun turrets and on the main deck, and the use of armor similar to that conducted against the San Marcos. His idea has been favorably received at the Navy Department.

Those who objected to the destruction of the San Marcos now realize the importance of practice and experiments of this kind. The problem is to find a suitable vessel on the west coast for such practice. Some officers advocate the use of a battleship, but others believe that a ship similar to that conducted against the San Marcos. His idea has been favorably received at the Navy Department.

BEAR SCARES JEFFRIES.

Ex-Champion Meets a Big, Blind Beast in Alaskan Wilds.

Tacoma, Wash., September 24.—A Seward Alaska, cable states that James Jeffries lost another goer there last week. Before going North Jeffries had heard that he wanted to see the bear that would kill him. The bear camped at the mouth of Kelley River, the ex-champion took his fishing rod to a stream of trout for supper.

Fishing was fine, but looking holes just beyond took him further and further from camp. Just as he was about to turn back, Jeffries saw what he had wanted.

Bruin was fishing also, but having had luck Jeff had been used to looking along his rifle at little black bears in California. The vessel could bear, but here was a man's size bear that would drop the scales at 1,800.

Jeffries waved his arms and yelled. Brownie raised up to his full height and curling back his upper lip disclosed eight pounds of ivory as he growled.

Jeffries said to have run two miles to camp. Federal regulations forbid the shooting of brown bears.

HE RECOGNIZES "NANCY"

"George A. Kimmel" Greets Old Friend of Father's Days.

Niles, Mich., September 24.—Failure to recognize persons he is supposed to have known years ago, after he had affectionately greeted an old white mare which he drove when on a farm at Berrien Springs, Mich., today left a village as hopelessly divided as George A. Kimmel's claim to identity.

The man of mystery returned here today from his trip into the country, where it was thought he might further strengthen his position. At a farm age the Kimmel spent many weeks around the animal's neck. Kimmel's acquaintances of bygone days crowded around the man, but when most of them were not recognized or recalled to memory, the effect of the recognition of the horse was largely nullified among the villagers.

On his return here "Kimmel" received many callers at the Fox home.

J.W.G. BLACKSTONE DIES SUDDENLY

Former Judge of Eastern Shore Circuit Victim of Cerebral Apoplexy.

ONE OF STATE'S ABLEST MEN

He Was Removed From Office by Legislature of 1908.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Accomac, Va., September 24.—Former Judge J. W. G. Blackstone died suddenly to-night at 8 o'clock of cerebral apoplexy at his home here. Although he had not been in good health for some years, his end was unexpected. In fact, he had taken an active part in the recent Democratic campaign, having been an unsuccessful candidate for the House of Delegates.

After having been a member of the State Senate for several terms, and having served on the bench both in County and Circuit Courts, Judge Blackstone was removed from office by the Legislature of 1908, following an extended hearing before the Committee for Courts of Justice, a committee, by the way, over which he had once presided when a member of the Legislature. He was a man of brilliant mind, of unusual legal attainments, and was of high standing in his party in the State, until serious charges were preferred against him.

Born at Accomac.
Judge John W. G. Blackstone was born at Accomac Courthouse, on October 3, 1838, and resided here during most of his life. He entered Roanoke College, at Salem, session of 1874-75, and graduated in June, 1876, with the degree of A. B., also receiving the college medal in mathematics. He entered the law department of the University of Virginia, where he continued three years, taking up the study of law at the university in 1879, and securing the degree of bachelor of laws in June, 1881.

Four years later he was elected to the Virginia State Senate, and in the extra session of 1887 he served on the commission which revised the Code of Virginia. In the regular session of 1887-1888 he was made chairman of the Committee for Courts of Justice, although he had not before served on that committee. He was elected to the Court of Appeals in 1887, and for six years, being re-elected to the Senate in 1889. He was a delegate to the National Democratic Convention of 1896, which first nominated William Jennings Bryan. In August, 1896, he was appointed judge of the County Court of Accomac by Judge C. O'Ferrall. In December, 1897, he was elected by the Legislature for the full term as county judge of Accomac, and on February 19, 1898, he was elected by the same Legislature circuit judge. Judge B. T. Gunter, he was judge of the Eighth Judicial Circuit until 1902, and after the reorganization of the judiciary under the new Constitution, was elected judge of the newly formed Eleventh Circuit.

Charges Preferred.
This position he held until the winter of 1898, when charges were preferred against him on the floor of the House of Delegates by citizens of the county and Elizabeth City county. Within his circuit the House directed its Committee for Courts of Justice to make an investigation. Petitions for his removal were presented by Delegate H. R. Houston and others, signed by a large number of citizens from his circuit. Thirty or forty witnesses were examined by the committee, and his removal was recommended.

Removed by Legislature.
Although there was little division in the General Assembly as to the necessity of action, there was prolonged debate as to the method of procedure. Finally twenty days' notice was given to Judge Blackstone to appear in accordance with section 104 of the Constitution, making it necessary for the Legislature to return to Richmond as the session was then almost over. Judge Blackstone, who had been represented by counsel before the investigating committee, filed a formal answer, but appeared in the gallery of the Senate when the vote was taken on his removal.

At the same session of the General Assembly Judge Clarence J. Robinson was elected for the unexpired term. Judge Blackstone retired to his home in Accomac, and though his attorneys talked of contesting the legality of the procedure of his removal, no action was taken. Recently he had been reported as much improved in health, and announced that he would seek vindication at the hands of the voters of his home county, offering himself as a candidate for the Legislature. There were four candidates, J. Harry Rew winning.

No announcement was made last night as to arrangements for the funeral, though it is anticipated that it will be in Accomac.

KILLS HIS WIFE

Man Escapes in Woods and Shoots Himself When Surrounded.

Baltimore, Md., September 24.—Edward H. Schuhardt shot and killed his wife, Gertrude, at a cannery factory near Collington, Prince George's county, Md., to-day. He was escaping for a time in the surrounding woods, only to shoot himself when surrounded by a posse. Schuhardt was brought to a Baltimore hospital where two bullets were removed from his body. The surgeons expressed the belief that he will recover.

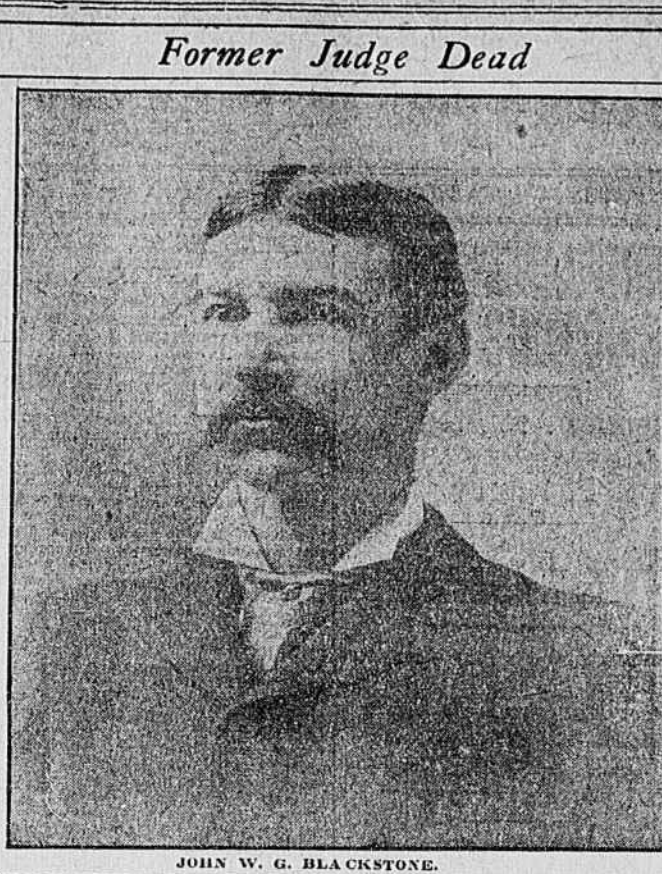
Both Schuhardt and his wife lived in Baltimore. Domestic troubles are given as the reason for the shooting. Eye-witnesses declared that the man was intoxicated at the time.

BATTLE BEGINS TO-DAY

Rice Interests Will Appear Before Special Examiner Prouty.

New Orleans, September 24.—History for the rice industry of the South will be in the making to-morrow in Houston, Tex., when Louisiana and Texas rice interests head a legal battle before Special Examiner Prouty, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, on freight rates. New Orleans rice millers contend that if Texas millers and shippers are allowed an advantage of 5 cents on differentials, for which they are contending, it will mean the death knell of this port as a shipping point for rice.

A delegation of Southern freight traffic officials left to-night for Houston to defend their cause. S. Locke Breaux, chairman of the Board of



JOHN W. G. BLACKSTONE.

Trade Rice Commission, will be in charge of the defense of the rice interests, and will be assisted by John A. Smith, freight commissioner of the Board of Trade.

"MOVIES" LEAD BOY TO SAY HE KILLED A MAN

Newark, N. J., September 24.—Isaac Weiss, the crippled New York boy who almost convinced the police that he killed the man recently found murdered in a box car, was released to-day and sent home.

When his parents greeted him here, Isaac broke down and admitted that he had never seen the victim. His father said that the boy was not mentally strong and that moving picture shows had probably led him to indulge in romance.

The body of the man was identified as that of a piano player known as "Dick," who was said to have been well known along the Bowery in New York City. The identification was made by a man who described himself as Henry J. Holand, of New York.

20 STUDENTS INJURED IN PURDUE CLASS RUSH

Lafayette, Ind., September 24.—Twenty students were hurt in the annual rush between the freshmen and sophomore classes of Purdue University Friday night. Several were carried from the field unconscious.

The freshmen had 550 in line and the sophomores 450. When the second-year men marched down the hill near the college they were caught by the freshmen, and after a hard battle that lasted nearly an hour were tied with ropes.

Freshmen placed their numerals on a big tank and the vanquished sophomores were marched back to the athletic field, where they were painted and made to perform for the amusement of the crowd. Of eighteen "tank scraps" the sophomores have taken fourteen.

Sagging or Hanging Cheeks and Chin

(From Woman's Magazine.)
Flabbiness of cheeks, chin or neck has been considered very difficult to correct, until the recent discovery of a veritable wonder-worker for such conditions. The preparation is so simple and harmless any woman can easily make and apply it. It is all the more remarkable in that its beneficial effects are apparent even after the first application, both as to appearances and the feeling of comfort produced.

The formula is: Powdered saxolite, 1 oz., dissolved in 1/2 pt. witch hazel. Use daily as a wash lotion. The solution tends to contract and solidify the loosened, bary tissue, smoothing out the folds, creases and wrinkles, besides having a refining influence on skin of coarse texture and large pores. As with hazel and saxolite can be used at any drug-store at little cost, many will doubtless be glad to have this successful recipe.



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